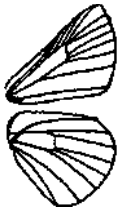
represented in the plate. On the under side the wings are paler, with the light spots of the upper side faintly repeated. Expanse, 5, 1.15 inch; $, 1.35 inch.

Early Stages.—These are described in full with painstaking accuracy by Scudder in "The Butterflies of New England/' The caterpillar feeds on grasses.

The species ranges from southern New York to Florida, thence westward and southward into Mexico.

Genus POLITES, Scudder



Butterfly. —The antennae and the palpi are as in the preceding genus; the neuration of the wings is also very much the same. This is another genus founded by Dr. Scudder upon the shape of the discal stigma in the wing of the male. His description of this feature is as follows: " Discal stigma of male consisting of an interrupted, gently arcuate or sinuate streak of dead-black retrorse scales or rods, edged below, especially in the middle, by a border of similar, but dust-colored, erect rods, and followed beneath by an

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inconspicuous large area of loosely compacted, erect, Neuration 'of dusky scales." ..

Egg.—Approximately hemispherical, the height, however, being greater than in the egg of the preceding genus; reticulated, the lines forming hexagonal figures upon the surface.

Caterpillar, etc.— Of the stages beyond the egg we know as yet comparatively little. The caterpillar feeds on grasses.

(i) Polites peckius, Kirby, Plate XLVII, Fig. 24, 3; Fig. 25, ? (Peck's Skipper).

Butterfly. —This little species, the upper side of which in both sexes is correctly shown in the plate, has the under side of the wings dark brown, with the light spots of the upper side greatly enlarged, especially upon the disks of the wings, fused, and pale yellow, thus contrasting strongly with the rest of the

wings. Expanse, $, i.oo inch; $,1.25 inch.

Early Stages.—*These* are not thoroughly known as yet The larva feeds on grasses.

Peck's Skipper ranges from Canada southward to Virginia, and west to Kansas and Iowa.